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block, or *zolla*. The upheaval was connected both with the "grandiose" fault on the western flanks which has resulted in the Semliki valley, and also, on the eastern side, with other faults delineated by the little recent volcanoes of Toro. The ellipsoidal core or anticlinal of Ruwenzori consists mainly of the more resistant rocks, such as amphibolite schists, whilst the easily weathered micaschists are prevalent in the outer zone. Abundant traces of ancient glaciers were detected even at so low a level as 1400 metres in the Mobuku valley. These are ascribed to the Pleistocene period.

There are also articles by Prof. Colomba and Pioliti.

It is unfortunate that the quotations from English works have not been revised and corrected by an Englishman, for there are many obvious misprints in these extracts.

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AMERICA.

MEXICO.

'In Indian Mexico: A Narrative of Travel and Labor.' By Frederick Starr.
Chicago: Forbes & Co. 1908. \$5 net.

Prof. Frederick Starr's contributions to our knowledge of the physical characteristics of the Mexican Indians are a valuable asset to science. Lumboltz's work covered chiefly north-western Mexico. Starr's very methodical investigations were mostly carried out in Southern Mexico, though they included the Otomis, the Tarascos, and the Huastecos. The present work is the narrative of travel and work covering the author's expeditions from 1895 to 1901. It is intended for the general public.

It is obvious from the start that Prof. Starr does not entertain a very high opinion of the general public. His wayside and camp-fire notes, hurriedly if punctually jotted down, are here presented, or rather dropped, *pêle-mêle*, without any regard for style, without any attempt at a connected and ordered account. Truly the subject-matter is interesting, and the volume is full of curious details. But these are sadly mixed with trivial remarks presented in a most unattractive manner. To the geographer, the task of disentangling and picking up the important facts is rendered well-nigh hopeless. Yet one feels that here was an opportunity for a good book. The materials are there, but unworked. It must be said, to its credit, that this book does not claim to be geographical. Whether it will provide entertainment or information to the general reader may be best discussed elsewhere.

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'Explorers in the New World, before and after Columbus, and the Story of the Jesuit Missions of Paraguay.' By Marion M. Mulhall. (London: Longmans, 1909. Pp. xiii., 313. *Maps*. 6s. 6d.) The title hardly suggests that the subject of this volume is practically confined to South America. It is, however, an interesting subject, though the treatment is in parts somewhat formal and dull. The pre-Columbian maps, if their reproduction could not be improved, might have been left in perfect instead of partial obscurity.

'Denys: Description and Natural History of the Coasts of North America (Acadia).' Edited by W. F. Ganong. (Toronto: Champlain Society. 1908. Pp. xvi., 625. *Maps and Illustrations*.) The fortunate recipients of the limited edition of this finely produced volume will find Denys' interesting text carefully edited and annotated, and elucidated with reproductions from originals and other illustrations, and numerous good maps. The production is greatly to the credit of the Society.